

MINUTES

**SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF WARR ACRES
BUDGET WORKSHOP
WARR ACRES COUNCIL CHAMBER
THURSDAY
JUNE 3, 2004
7:00 P.M.**

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Declaration of a quorum present was given.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Mayor Marietta Tardibono
Vice-Mayor Tom Smith
Councilwoman Leslie Owens
Councilman Jimmy Alexander
Councilman Mike Gossman
Councilman Bob Wehba
Councilman Justin Frisbie
Councilman Barry Curl

ABSENT

Councilwoman Nancy Olson

DEPARTMENT HEADS AND CONSULTANTS PRESENT

Pamela McDowell-Ramirez, City Clerk
Roger Patty, Police Chief
Rob Carter, Acting Fire Chief
Robert Jernigan, City Attorney

2. Discussion and possible action concerning the FY 04-05 annual Budget.

Clerk Ramirez explained the changes that were made to the budget document and stated that what the council had before them was a balanced budget for FY 04-05. Mike Crawford stated that the recurring cost of the city and the fact that in the past, in good years, the city began earmarking monies for specific uses and they are still earmarked today when times are tough. These are the problems facing the city today. Councilman Frisbie stated that the city has the money now but if the city spends it all then there will be nothing for next year. Councilman Wehba stated that instead of using 100% at least it was able to be done on 95%. Mike Crawford stated that the best situation would be to leave a 10%-15% reserve and everything that was done to balance the budget is only a one year solution.

Something will have to be done before next year. Councilwoman Owens stated that the citizens can help by making sure that when they shop outside Warr Acres and have it delivered in that they tell the vendor that they live in Warr Acres so that Warr Acres receives the tax. Citizens also need to take a look at their phone bills and make sure they are being charged the correct tax rate.

3. Adjournment.